FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

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As required by NAC 445.42116 through NAC 445.42128, an environmental review has been performed on the proposed project listed below:

Project: Orovada GID

Location: Orovada GID, Humboldt County, Nevada

Latitude 41º 33' 41" W
Longitude 117º 48' 07" W

Project Numbers: CS32-1002

This project covers the construction of two HDPE lined treatment ponds and two rapid infiltration basins to replace an earthen wastewater treatment pond system. The project will eliminate the infiltration of partially treated wastewater from the unlined basin that is currently being used to dispose of the Orovada domestic wastewater. This project will provide an environmental benefit by reducing the infiltration of partially treated wastewater. Groundwater monitoring will be added to ensure degradation of the underlying groundwater does not exceed state standards.

Specific activities to construct this proposed project that may constitute an environmental disturbance include excavation and grading for the treatment pond and infiltration basins. Most of the disturbance will be inside of the footprint of the existing wastewater treatment facility.

The Division's environmental review process did not indicate significant environmental impacts from this project construction. Therefore, a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) is the preliminary determination made by the Division. Information supporting this decision is available for public review at the office of the Division listed above.

Comments supporting or disagreeing with this decision may be submitted to the Division at the address listed above for the attention of Joseph Maez, P.E. or by email at jmaez@ndep.nv.gov After evaluating all comments received, the Division will make a final decision on whether to issue this FONSI ruling. The deadline for comment to the Division on this project is set for **December 21, 2011**.